PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT Continuation of U.S. Appln. No. 10/030,314 (Q77518)

## AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

## LISTING OF CLAIMS:

- (Canceled)
- (Currently Amended) An agent A method for preventing and/or treating a
  fibrosis, said method comprising administering an effective amount of an agent comprising a
  sphingosine 1-phosphate receptor agonist as an active ingredient.
- (Currently Amended) The agentmethod for preventing and/or treating a
  fibrosis according to claim 2, wherein the fibrosis is pulmonary fibrosis, interstitial
  pneumonia, chronic hepatitis, hepatic cirrhosis, chronic renal failure or renal
  glomerulosclerosis.
  - 4. (Canceled)
- (Currently Amended) An agent A method for preventing and/or treating a
  fibrosis, said method comprising administering an effective amount of an agent comprising
  sphingosine 1-phosphate as an active ingredient.
- (Currently Amended) The agentmethod for preventing and/or treating a
  fibrosis according to claim 5, wherein the fibrosis is pulmonary fibrosis, interstitial
  pneumonia, chronic hepatitis, hepatic cirrhosis, chronic renal failure or renal
  glomerulosclerosis.